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Milk Production

Iowa: Milk production in Iowa in July 2009 totaled 374 million pounds, up 4.80 percent from July 2008. The average number of milk cows, 215,000 head, was unchanged from July 2008. Production per cow averaged 1,740 pounds, up from 1,660 pounds in July 2008.

United States: Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from July 2008. June revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from June 2008. The June

revision represented an increase of 34 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,769 pounds for July, 25 pounds above July 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.40 million head, 115,000 head less than July 2008, and 34,000 head less than June 2009.

Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, July 2008-2009

State	Milk Cows 1		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	Change from 2008
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Pounds	Pounds	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent
AZ	185	170	1,815	1,810	336	308	-8.3
CA	1,847	1,793	1,850	1,810	3,417	3,245	-5.0
CO	129	124	1,950	2,000	252	248	-1.6
FL	120	115	1,375	1,470	165	169	2.4
ID	556	548	1,960	1,920	1,090	1,052	-3.5
IL	102	102	1,520	1,580	155	161	3.9
IN	166	168	1,650	1,695	274	285	4.0
IA	215	215	1,660	1,740	357	374	4.8
KS	117	117	1,725	1,735	202	203	0.5
MI	352	358	1,900	1,955	669	700	4.6
MN	465	469	1,595	1,675	742	786	5.9
MO	111	108	1,170	1,195	130	129	-0.8
NM	340	321	1,990	2,050	677	658	-2.8
NY	626	622	1,690	1,745	1,058	1,085	2.6
ОН	281	278	1,550	1,590	436	442	1.4
OR	115	114	1,670	1,710	192	195	1.6
PA	546	545	1,630	1,640	890	894	0.4
TX	423	423	1,675	1,700	709	719	1.4
UT	85	83	1,840	1,840	156	153	-1.9
VT	140	135	1,585	1,570	222	212	-4.5
VA	97	96	1,425	1,520	138	146	5.8
WA	245	239	2,000	2,015	490	482	-1.6
WI	1,252	1,257	1,670	1,760	2,091	2,212	5.8
23-State Total ³	8,515	8,400	1,744	1,769	14,848	14,858	0.1

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ As of February 2009, the 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.